



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Application for a Farm Labor Contractor or Farm Labor Contractor Employee Certificate of Registration

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Wage and Hour Division (WHD) sponsored information collection request (ICR) revision titled, “Application for a Farm Labor Contractor or Farm Labor Contractor Employee Certificate of Registration,” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

DATES: Submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained from the RegInfo.gov Web site,

<http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, on the day following publication of this notice or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or sending an email to DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

Submit comments about this request to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-WHD, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Telephone: 202-

395-6929/Fax: 202-395-6881 (these are not toll-free numbers), email:

OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act provides that no individual may perform farm labor contracting activities without a certificate of registration. Form WH-530 is the application form that provides the DOL with the information necessary to issue certificates specifying the farm labor contracting activities authorized. In addition, certain vehicle and safety standards are required of farm labor contractor applicants and such data is collected via forms WH-514, WH-514a, and WH-515. The DOL currently obtains OMB approval to conduct those transportation related information collections under Control Number 1235-0017. This ICR proposes to combine collections under Control Numbers 1235-0016 and 1235-0017, with 1235-0016 being the survivor. The DOL will request to discontinue Control Number 1235-0017 upon OMB approval of the merger. The WHD also proposes to add and revise the forms to obtain some additional information.

These information collections are subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if the collection of information does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB

approval for this information collection under Control Number 1235-0016. The current OMB approval for Control Number 1235-0016 is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2012; however, it should be noted that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. Control Number 1235-0017 expires September 30, 2013. New information collection requirements will only take effect on OMB approval. For additional information, see the related notice published in the Federal Register on September 29, 2012 (77 FR 12330).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should reference OMB Control Number 1235-0016. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
 - Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
 - Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or

other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: DOL-WHD.

Title of Collection: Application for a Farm Labor Contractor or Farm Labor Contractor Employee Certificate of Registration.

OMB Control Number: 1235-0016, as merged with 1235-0017.

Affected Public: Private Sector—businesses or other for-profits, farms, and not-for-profit institutions.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 15,026.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 21,139.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 8,761.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$356,251.

Dated: May 31, 2012.

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